

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>In re Application of:</b>  Luciano Lavagno et al.  <b>Serial No.:</b> 09/847,642  <b>Filed:</b> May 1, 2001  <b>For:</b> SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PERFORMING SOFTWARE PERFORMANCE ESTIMATIONS	<b>Group Art Unit:</b> 2123  <b>Examiner:</b> Russell L. Guill  <b>Confirmation No.:</b> 6620
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 AND  
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office action dated January 06, 2009, Applicant respectfully makes a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and amends the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 15.